



# Beaver Creek Fire

**July 7, 2016, 11:00 am**

## Closures & Advisories:

Closure orders have been issued for the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands and can be found at:

<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4797/>

Evacuation orders remain in place

## Fire Size Today:

13,642 acres

## Containment:

5%

## 236 Firefighters:

2 crews, 12 engines, 1 dozer and 2 helicopters

## Location:

24 miles north of Walden

Fire is being managed on the Routt National Forest, BLM Independence Mountain and State of Colorado lands.

## Started:

6/19/16 Cause is being actively investigated: Information or tips call U.S. Forest Service Officer Hannah Nadeau 307-343-2335

Management: Western Colorado Interagency—Team B Type 3 Incident Management Team

## **Summary:**

At 0600 this morning the Western Colorado Interagency—Team B Type 3 Incident Management Team (IMT) began managing the Beaver Creek Fire. The new IMT shadowed the outgoing Rocky Mountain Type 2 IMT over the past several days to provide a seamless transition, and to ensure that the firefighting objectives remain consistent. Many of the firefighting resources (engines and crews) will remain the same and new crews will be familiarizing themselves with the fire area.

Yesterday fire activity increased, as drier and windier conditions were present over the fire. This weather pattern will continue over the next several days and as fuels continue to dry out, fire growth will occur. There will be more visible smoke columns coming from within the fire area, as the fire has the potential to spread in all directions, including into sage and grassy fuels. Fire continues making its way through unburned stands of beetle-killed trees, nature's way of recycling nutrients back into the soil, to produce future forests.

Suppression rehabilitation continues to occur on areas where fire activity has decreased. This rehabilitation includes chipping excess brush that was removed along fire containment lines, installing waterbars to prevent erosion, and grading roadways that were damaged by firefighting equipment.

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